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1.(U) Ambassador delivered reftel points to Foreign Minister Mahmoud Ali Youssouf September 22. The Minister said Djibouti would support the U.S. candidacy for "Category A" membership in the International Maritime Organization (IMO) in view of the close bilateral partnership between our two countries. Post will follow up at the working level in MFA and the Ministry of Transport to ensure that Youssouf's decision has been communicated throughout the GODJ, and especially to those who will cast Djibouti's vote at the IMO Assembly in November.  
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